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Re:

Application of Kaoru ASANO, Takayuki TAKAHATA, Shigehiro NUMADA,

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GENE EXAMINATION METHOD FOR JUDGING THE ONSET RISK OF

GLAUCOMA

Assignee: SYSMEX CORPORATION

Our Ref: Q83447

Dear Sir:

The following documents and fees are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 and in accordance with the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- ☑ a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☑ an English translation of the International Application.
- \square one (1) sheet of drawing.
- ☑ a copy of the executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form.
- ☑ an International Search Report, Information Disclosure Statement and PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing the ISR/IPER references.
- ☑ Notification Concerning Submission or Transmittal of Priority Document.
- ☑ a Preliminary Amendment.

TOTAL FEE

- ☑ a Statement To Support Filing and Submission in Accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825.
- ☑ it is expressly requested that the national stage of processing be commenced immediately in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 371(f)

It is assumed that copies of the International Application, the International Search Report and cited references, the International Preliminary Examination Report, and any Articles 19 and 34 amendments as required by §371(c) will be supplied directly by the International Bureau, but if further copies are needed, the undersigned will undertake to provide them upon request.

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